



## USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report May 25, 2001

### The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

**12-Metro Area Shell Eggs** - week ending 25-May-01 Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
<b>This week</b>	62.34	54.10	61.82	79.61	66.62
<b>Last week</b>	58.15	46.73	50.40	70.25	59.19

**Selected Cities Large** - 25-May-01 **New York** 62-65 **Chicago** 54-59 **California** 85

**Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory** - 21-May-01 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
<b>Current week</b>	132.7	254.3	131.2	160.3	176.9	855.4	303.7	1159.1
<b>% change PW</b>	4	4	5	-1	0	2	-10	-1

**Breaking Stock** 25-May-01 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
<b>Nest Run</b>	25-28	23-27 M 25
<b>Checks &amp; Undergrades</b>	8-12	9-15

**Eggs Processed** under federal inspection week ending 19-May-01.  
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
<b>Current Week</b>	1,167,435	26,823	11,667	6,310	2,359	4,100
<b>Previous Week</b>	1,216,515	26,706	12,994	6,855	3,077	4,069
<b>Last Year</b>	1,263,540	28,333	13,000	6,859	3,295	4,089
<b>% Change PW</b>	-4	0	-10	-8	-23	1
<b>% Change LY</b>	-8	-5	-10	-8	-28	0
<b>To Date 2001</b>	22,339,198	505,805	227,760	123,840	48,121	80,215
<b>To Date 2000</b>	23,045,278	522,801	230,132	125,068	59,016	76,357

#### AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

**Current Week:** 41.89      **Previous Week:** 41.61      **Last Year:** 41.38

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**Current Week:** 38.37      **Previous Week:** 38.27      **Last Year:** 38.14

**National Liquid Eggs** - 25-May-01 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
<b>Whole</b>	27	24-26	25.83	-.28
<b>Whites</b>	26	13-21.25	16.38	-.45
<b>Yolks</b>	6	68-70	68.67	.85

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 65.5 to 70 cents fob, mostly 68 to 70 cents fob, with pasteurized whites reported at 18.5 cents fob.

**Frozen Egg Prices** - 25-May-01 - wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot	Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)		
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California <sup>2</sup>
Whole	41-45 M 42-43	41-43 M 42-43	50-56	49-52
Blends <sup>3</sup>	Too Few To Report	-	68-90	-
Whites	29-34 M 30-32	29-32 M 29-31	36-52	36-39
Yolks <sup>4</sup>				
Sugared	79-82 M 80-81	79-81 M 80-81	80-86	86-89
Salted	74-79 M 75-78	75-78 M 76-78	77-81	82-85

<sup>2</sup> f.o.b. shipping point

<sup>3</sup> whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

<sup>4</sup> minimum 43% solids

**National Dried Egg Prices** - 25-May-01 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.55 - 1.80	1.55 - 1.65
Yolks	1.73 - 2.05	1.85 - 1.95
Albumen, Spray Dried	2.35 - 2.75	2.40 - 2.45
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.20 - 1.35	1.25 - 1.30

**Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants** (Thousands) Weekending 19-May-01

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,602	This week	509	This week	2,111
Last week	1,575	Last week	574	Last week	2,149
Last year	1,873	Last year	470	Last year	2,343
To Date 2001	36,436	To Date 2001	10,119	To Date 2001	46,555
To Date 2000	40,647	To Date 2000	10,299	To Date 2000	50,946

(R) Revised, reflected in to-date figure.

### Inspected Egg Products

**U.S. Exports To Canada**, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 12-May-01

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	204	0	0	204
Last year*	104	0	0	104
To date 2001	4,328	40	22	4,390
To date 2000	2,059	40	112	2,211

**U.S. Imports From Canada**, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 12-May-01

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	63	12	0	75
Last year*	97	14	40	151
To date 2001	1,690	579	226	2,495
To date 2000	2,253	200	563	3,016

### Inspected Shell Eggs

**U.S. Exports To Canada**, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 12-May-01

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,680	4,033	1,670	9,300	3,750	20,433
Last year*	39	1,019	4,992	180	7,680	0	13,910
To date 2001	87	13,221	38,894	15,678	91,844	22,878	182,602
To date 2000	357	11,452	53,722	11,960	63,600	5,310	146,401

\*Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

**National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Apr-01**

	Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)				
	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	3,298	599	10,647	2,084	16,628
Previous Month	2,242	879	9,851	1,629	14,601
Last year	2,202	658	8,898	1,197	12,773
% of Previous Month	147	68	108	128	114
% of Last Year	163	91	120	174	130

**National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 22-May-01**

**Total Layers** on 01-May-01 totaled 337 million, up 3 percent from a year ago.

**Rate of lay per day** for all layers on 01-May-01 averaged 69.4 eggs per 100 layers, down 2% from the 70.6 eggs a year ago.

**Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers** on 01-May-01 = 276.7 million, up 4% from a year ago.

**Rate of lay per day** for table egg type on 01-May-01 averaged 71.3 eggs per 100 layers, down 2% from 01-May-00.

**30 Major Egg Production States** produced 6.65 billion eggs during Apr-01, up 1% from Apr-00.

**Egg Type Chicks Hatched** during Apr-01 totaled 42 million, up 14% from Apr-00.

**Eggs in Incubators** totaled 37.0 million on 01-May-01, up 1% from a year ago.

**Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks** = 293,000 during Apr-01, down 5% from Apr-00.

**30 SELECTED STATES**

**Table egg type layers** on 01-May-01 = 260.9 million, up 4% from 01-May-00.

**Eggs per 100 table egg layers** on 01-May-01 = 71.2, down 2% from 01-May-00.

**Layers in forced molt** on 01-May-01 were 5.1%, up 28% from those in molt on 01-May-00.

**Layers with molt completed** on 01-May-01 were 20.8, down 7% from 01-May-00.

**Layers sold** during Apr-01 totaled 13.9 million, down 10% from Apr-00.

**Layers rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason** during Apr-01 were 4.5 million, up 154% from Apr-00.

**Pullets less than 20 weeks of age** on 01-May-01 = 91.6 million, down 1 % from 01-May-00.

**Pullets added** during Apr-01 = 22.0 million, up 5% from Apr-00.

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